GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF CONSUMER GOODS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of consumer goods exported from India and the earnings made from such export during the years 1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2001-02 respectively vis-Ã -vis the import of consumer goods in those years and total expenditure of foreign exchange on the imports during each of the above years; and

(b) whether it has come to the notice of the Union Government that due to dumping of consumer goods by some of our neighbouring countries, the industry and trade of our country have been severely affected leading to closure of few industries and depletion in the market for Indian products and the remedial steps taken or contemplated to be taken by the Union Government to address this problem?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) The number of consumer goods is quite large. The data on export & import of all items including consumer goods are published in the publication entitled `Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India Vol. I & Vol. Ibrought out by Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Kolkata, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library also.

(b) There has been no spurt in imports into the country even after removal of quantitative restrictions. However the Government is constantly monitoring the situation and taking remedial measures so that imports do not cause any serious injury to the domestic economy.